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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT LOPEZ ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL
VISIT TO US

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF WHAT PRESIDENT LOPEZ
SAID LAST NIGHT IN HIS TV ADDRESS REGARDING
VISIT TO US:

QUOTE I HAVE THE SATISFACTION OF INFORMING THE
NATION THAT, WITHIN A PATTERN OF VISITS
OF LA LEADERS TO THE US, THE PRESIDENT OF
COLOMBIA HAS BEEN INVITED OFFICIALLY BY
PRESIDENT GERALD FORD TO CONSULT WITH HIM
IN WASHINGTON ON OUR COMMON PROBLEMS. I
PROPOSE TO ASK THE CONGRESS, WHEN IT CONVENES
IN ORDINARY SESSION, FOR THE CORRESPONDING
PERMISSION TO TRAVEL TO THE US THIS AUTUMN.
I EXPECT BOTH VISITS (THE PRESIDENT REFERRED
HERE TO AN EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HE WILL
VISIT PANAMA MARCH 23 TO MEET WITH THE PRESIDENTS
OF PANAMA, COSTA RICA AND VENEZUELA)
WILL BE FRUITFUL FOR THE RELATIONS OF OUR
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AUSTERITY AND SIMPLICITY WHICH BEFITS WORKING
SESSIONS, RATHER THAN CEREMONIES OR OTHER
KIND OF CELEBRATIONS UNQUOTE

2. THE PRESIDENT MADE NO RPT NO MENTION AT ALL OF
RELATIONS WITH CUBA.
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